



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
**ENERGY EFFICIENCY &
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

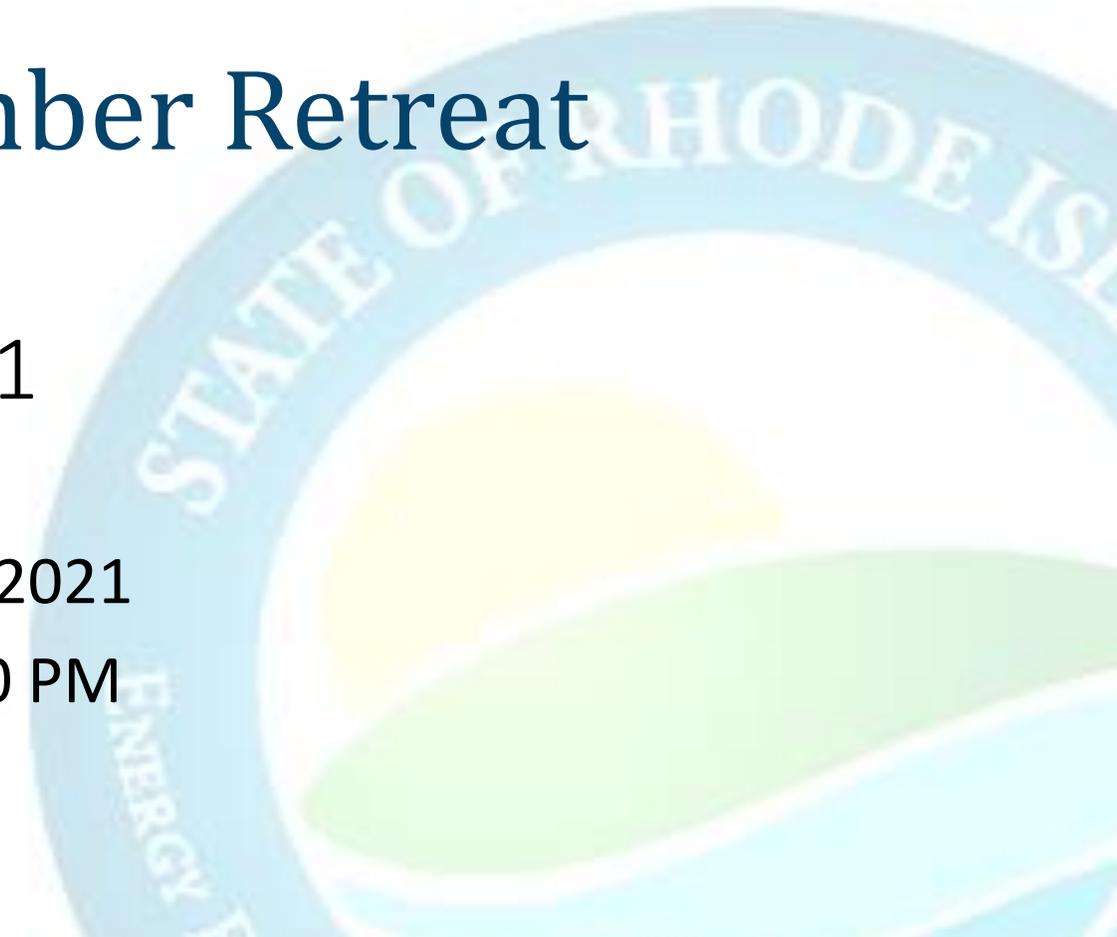
CONSULTANT TEAM

2021 EERMC Member Retreat

Session #1

Friday, May 28, 2021

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM





Retreat Objectives

1. Give Council Members an opportunity to **share their experience** and brainstorm improvements
2. Offer **deep dive** conversations on the PUC & Energy Equity
3. Allow for **informal interaction** among Council Members

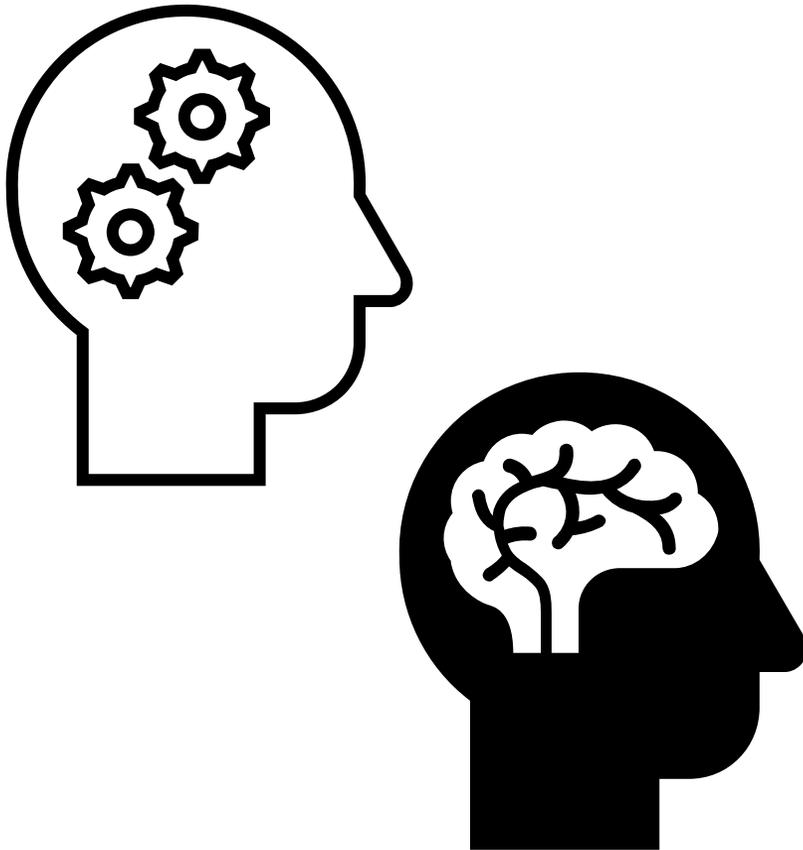


Agenda

| TIME | | TOPIC | |
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| 11:00 - 11:15 AM | 15 min | Welcome and Overview | |
| 11:15 – 11:45 AM | 30 min | Council Purposes, History & Resources | |
| | | 10 min | Council Purposes, Roles & Responsibilities |
| | | 10 min | EE Entities in Rhode Island |
| | | 10 min | Member Resources |
| 11:45 – 12:15 PM | 30 min | Discussion on Council Member Experience | |
| 12:15 – 12:25 PM | 10 min | * B R E A K * | |
| 12:25 – 1:05 PM | 40 min | Advancing Equity in RI Energy Efficiency Programs | |
| 1:05 – 1:45 PM | 40 min | Regulatory Overview with the RI Public Utilities Commission | |
| 1:45 – 2:00 PM | 15 min | Wrap Up | |



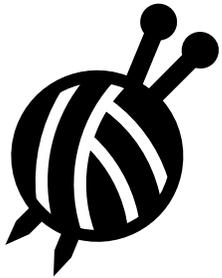
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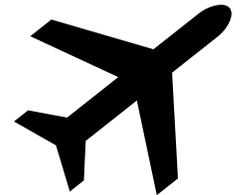
Pick One Thing to Share!



- What's one "fun fact" about you?
 - Hobbies, interests, hidden talents, etc.



- What's one post-COVID thing you're excited about?
 - Travel, favorite restaurant, seeing family, etc.



- Show & Tell

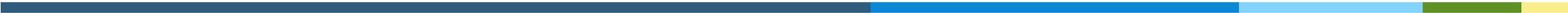
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...in 30 seconds or less!



QUESTIONS BEFORE WE GET STARTED?



- COUNCIL PURPOSES, ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES**
- ROLES & RELATIONSHIPS OF RI EE ENTITIES**
- COUNCIL MEMBER RESOURCES**



30 minutes

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Council Purposes (R.I.G.L. § 42-140.1)

LEGISLATED PURPOSES



Make Recommendations

Evaluate and make recommendations with regard to the optimization of energy efficiency, energy conservation, energy resource development; and the development of a plan for least-cost procurement for Rhode Island



Engage Stakeholders

Provide consistent, comprehensive, informed and publicly accountable stakeholder involvement in energy efficiency, energy conservation, and energy resource management



Monitor and Evaluate

Monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of programs to achieve energy efficiency, energy conservation, and diversification of energy resources



Ensure Public Benefit

Promote public understanding of energy issues and of ways in which energy efficiency, energy conservation, and energy resource diversification and management can be effectuated

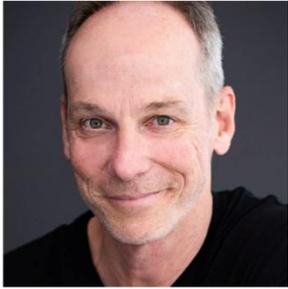


Council Membership

Voting Members:



ANTHONY L. HUBBARD
Low-Income Users



PETER GILL CASE
Expertise in Energy Design and Code



JOE GARLICK
Small Non-Profit Institutions



THOMAS MAGLIOCCHETTI
Large Non-Profit Institutions



BILL RICCIO
Municipalities



KURT TEICHERT
Expertise in Environmental Issues



KAREN VERRENGIA
Energy Efficiency Education and Employment Tracking

Vacant Seats:

- Energy regulation and law
- Large commercial/industrial
- Small commercial/industrial
- Residential

Non-Voting Members:



ROBERTA FAGAN
Expertise in Delivered Fuels



NICHOLAS UCCI
Executive Secretary and Director

Vacant Seats:

- Electric distribution representative
- Gas distribution representative



Council Member Responsibilities



**THE BY-LAWS
of the
RHODE ISLAND ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

Adopted October 19, 2017
Pursuant to RIGL §42-140.1-6(b)

EERMC members commit to:

- Serve a 5-year term
- Attend at least 8 of 12 meetings each year
- Actively participate in meetings
- Relay the work of the Council to their constituents

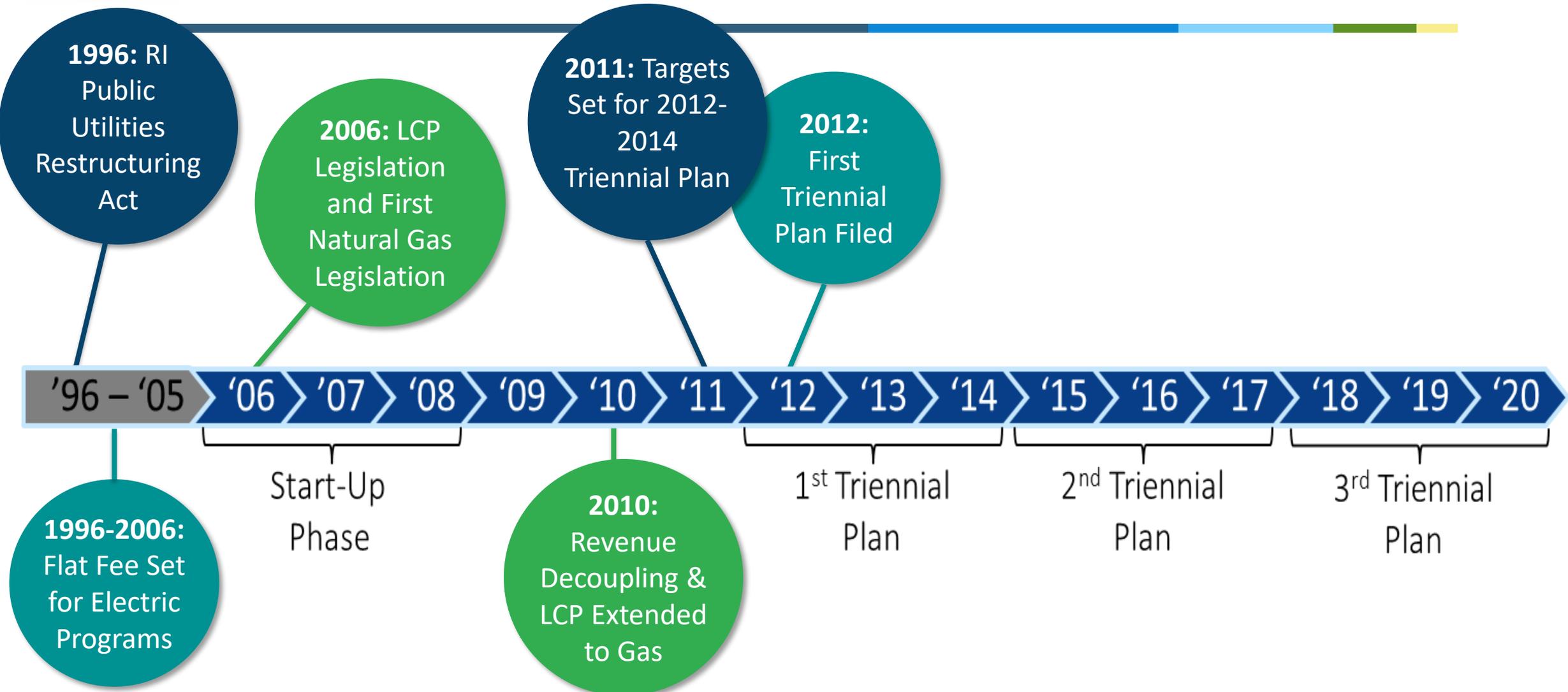
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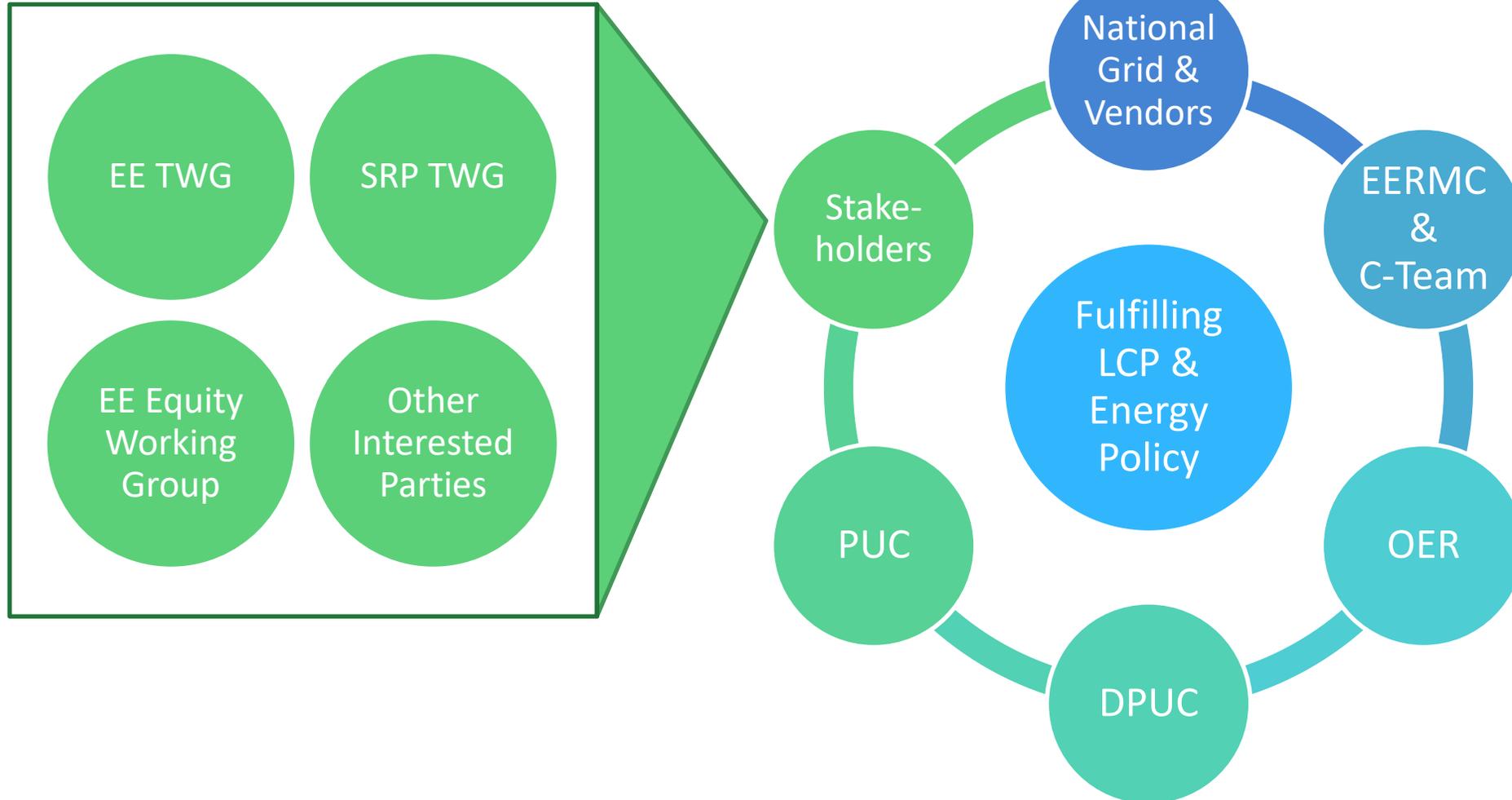


Least-Cost Procurement: Timeline & Milestones





RI Energy Efficiency Entities



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EERMC Website

Website objectives:

- Help the general public access efficiency programs
- Inform stakeholders and the general public about the work and role of the EERMC
- Serve as a hub for Council business



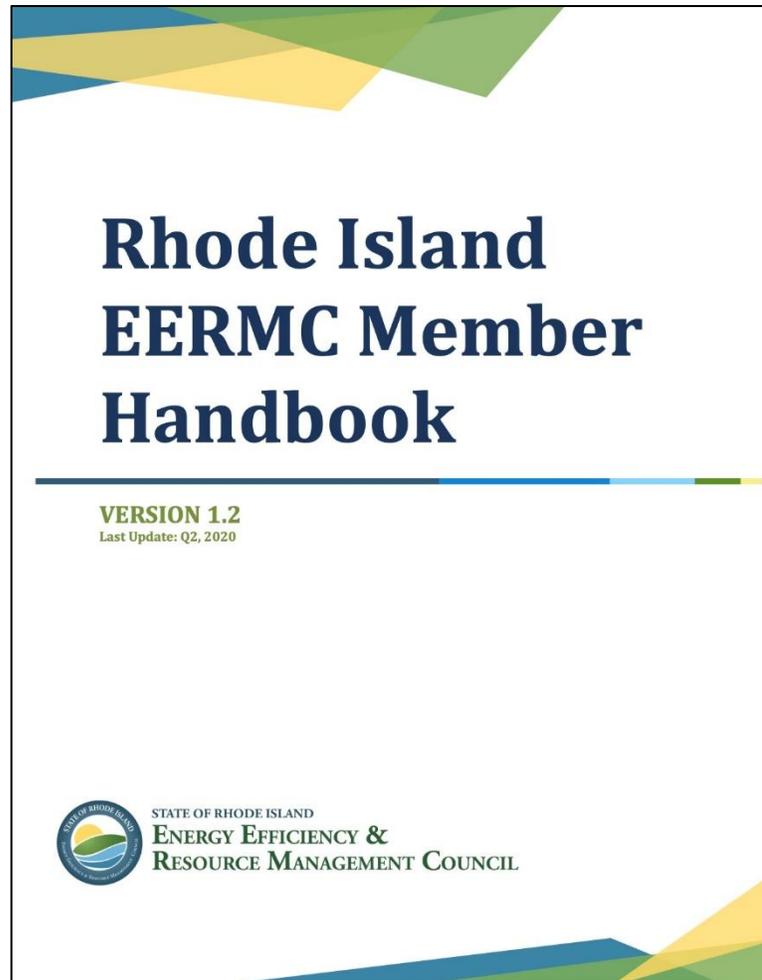
EERMC Website

- Bookmark it! rieermc.ri.gov
- About
 - Enabling Legislation
 - Council Bylaws
 - Member Handbook
 - RFPs
- Efficiency Programs (new)
- Events & Education (new)
 - FAQs
- Resources

The screenshot shows the homepage of the State of Rhode Island Energy Efficiency & Resource Management Council. At the top is a navigation menu with links for ABOUT, MEETINGS, EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS, EVENTS & EDUCATION, and RESOURCES. The main banner features a teal background with a house and a stack of money, accompanied by the text: "Energy efficiency supports the economy... Since 2009, efficiency programs have created \$3.3 billion in local economic benefits including lower bills, more jobs, and a healthier environment." Below this is a "Our Mission" section with a paragraph and a "Learn More" button. The lower half of the page is divided into three columns: "Lower Your Energy Costs" with a list of programs, "Upcoming Meetings" with dates for April and May 2021, and "Featured Resources" with links to various reports. The footer contains contact information for RI.gov, the council's address, links to the Governor's Office, and a public comment section.



Council Member Handbook



- What is Energy?
- History of EE in the US
- Utilities Regulation
- EE in Rhode Island
- RI EERMC
- EE Planning
- EE Programs in Rhode Island
- EM&V
- EE Beyond the Legislation
- The Future of EE
- Glossary of Acronyms
- Reference Links



EERMC Annual Report

- Handy reference document
 - Summarizes 2020 program results
 - Key metrics, graphics & visuals
- Tool for education & communication
 - Policy recommendations
 - Plan priorities



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Questions? Thoughts?



COUNCIL MEMBER EXPERIENCE

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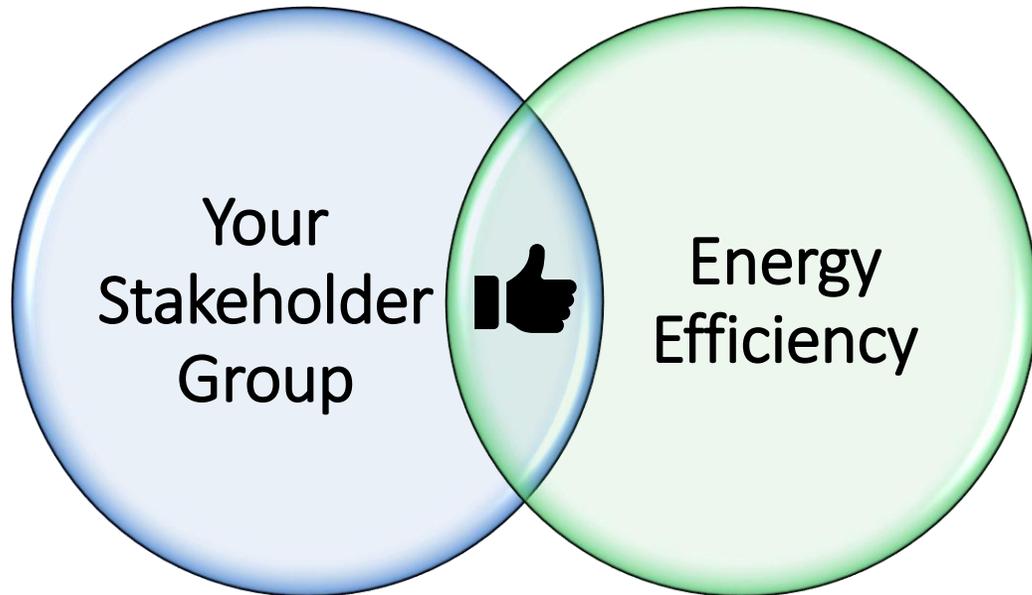
You Represent Stakeholders



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We Want to Hear From You



- What **challenges** do you experience in representing the perspectives and interests of your sector as an EERMC member? In serving on the Council?
- **What would make it easier** to fulfill your Council member responsibilities?
- How can the Council **improve its effectiveness**?
 - e.g. information sharing improvements, specific topic deep dives, constituent connection support, member resources library, etc.



BREAK



10 minutes





WRAP UP



15 minutes

